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INCLUDING HEPATITIS B VIRUS
TRANSMISSION

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Sir:

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IN THE ABSTRACT:

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-- ABSTRACT

The present invention relates to peptides which exhibit potent anti-viral activity. In particular, the invention relates to methods of using such peptides as inhibitory of hepatitis B virus ("HepB") transmission to uninfected cells. The peptides used in the methods of the

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